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SUBJ: AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN'S DISCUSSION WITH ISRAELI CHARGE
ON UNEF EXTENSION

1. I HAD A BRIEF DISCUSSION SHORTLY AFTER PRESENTING MY CREDENTIALS TODAY WITH ISRAELI ACTING PERM REP DORON, WHO WISHED TO DESCRIBE HIS GOVERNMENT'S ATTITUDE TOWARD THE EXTENSION OF UNEF.

2. DORON BEGAN BY DRAWING ATTENTION TO RABIN'S JULY 16 STATEMENT TO KNESSET ON UNEF, STRESSING ISRAEL WAS ANXIOUS TO CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS FOR THE ACHIEVEMENT OF AN INTERIM ARRANGEMENT WITH EGYPT. AS FOR SECURITY COUNCIL ACTION ON UNEF, DORON SAID ISRAEL CONSIDERED ONLY SUITABLE RENEWAL RESOLUTION WAS EXACT REPLICA OF RESOLUTION 368 BY WHICH COUNCIL EXTENDED FORCE IN APRIL. ONLY CHANGE ISRAEL WOULD LIKE TO SEE WOULD BE PROVISION FOR SIX RATHER THAN THREE

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MONTH EXTENSION. ALTHOUGH ISRAEL OF COURSE DID NOT HAVE

A VETO, IT WAS NOT PREPARED TO ACCEPT ANYTHING THAT WENT BEYOND RESOLUTION 368. (IN CONVERSATION WITH MISOFF BEFORE MY ARRIVAL, DORON PERSONALLY SEEMED TO ACCEPT DISTINCTION BETWEEN ADDITIONAL RESOLUTION LANGUAGE THAT WAS UNBALANCED AND ACCUSATORY AND ADDITIONS THAT WERE ANODYNE.)

3. I TOLD DORON THAT OUR OBJECTIVE WAS TO PRODUCE A NEUTRAL RESOLUTION. UN WAS NOT NEGOTIATING THE DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT, AND WE WANTED TO KEEP SECURITY COUNCIL OUT OF THESE NEGOTIATIONS TO EXTENT POSSIBLE. I SAID WE REALIZED THAT CASTING BLAME IN A RESOLUTION WOULD COMPLICATE NEGOTIATIONS, AND WE WOULD DO OUR BEST TO AVOID THAT HAPPENING.

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